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In re application of:

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For: **RETRIEVING METHOD, RETRIEVING SYSTEMS,  
RETRIEVING PROGRAM, RETRIEVAL OBJECTIVE  
MAP GENERATING METHOD, RETRIEVAL OBJECTIVE  
MAP GENERATING SYSTEM, IMAGE RETRIEVING  
METHOD, IMAGE RETRIEVING SYSTEM, IMAGE  
RETRIEVING PROGRAM, IMAGE RETRIEVAL DATA,  
IMAGE MAP GENERATING METHOD AND IMAGE MAP  
GENERATING SYSTEM**



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Washington, D.C. 20231

**TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Dear Sirs:

The information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed concurrently with the subject application [37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)].

If it should be determined that for any reason either an insufficient or an excessive fee has been paid, please charge any insufficiency or credit any overpayment necessary to ensure consideration of the information disclosure statement for the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 03-3975. A copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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